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Dear Stanly County Educators:

Stanly Soil and Water Conservation District (Stanly SWCD) will be sponsoring one student to attend the 2015 Resource Conservation Workshop at NC State University. Registration fees, meals, and cost of transportation will be provided by Stanly SWCD. If you would like to nominate a student please have them complete an application and submit it to Stanly SWCD by April 22, 2015. A short interview of the applicant may be required in early May. Please return the completed application by April 22, 2015 to [rlittle@stanlycountync.gov](mailto:rlittle@stanlycountync.gov) or mail to:

**Stanly Soil & Water Conservation District**  
**26032-C Newt Rd**  
**Albemarle, NC 28001**

**Dates:** June 21 - June 26, 2015

**Place:** NC State University

**Subjects to be Covered:**

- o Soil Characteristics and Soil Conservation
- o Wildlife & Fisheries Management
- o Forest Management
- o Nonagricultural Uses for Soils
- o Water Quality & Watershed Management

### **Awards**

- **Conservation District Employee's' Association Award:** Amount of Award: \$1,000.00 college scholarship\*; sponsored by the NC Conservation District Employee's Association; selection criteria:
  - o Student interested in subject matter, not only respecting and responding to teachers but also participating in activities;
  - o Student planning for higher education in field of Natural Resources, Environmental Science, or other related subject;
  - o Student must achieve a satisfactory grade (at least 75%) on the final examination administered at the RCW;
  - o Preference will be given to a student who is related to a district employee;
  - o Student may have financial need.

- **S. Grady Lane Award:** Purpose: to provide financial support to a student participating in the RCW when he/she enrolls in an accredited college/university. The scholarship is designed to perpetuate the high standards of personal conduct, dedication, loyalty and integrity exemplified by Mr. S. Grady Lane. Amount of Award: \$100 cash and \$500 college scholarship\*; selection criteria:
  - Student must be interested in soil and water conservation and have intent to pursue a course of study in discipline pertaining to soil and water conservation;
  - Student must achieve a satisfactory grade (at least 75%) on the final examination administered at the RCW;
  - Student must demonstrate interest, cooperation, a positive attitude, and excellent behavior throughout the RCW;
  - Preference will be given to a student whose family is currently active in a soil and water conservation district;
  - Student must have financial need.
- **Five other RCW Awards** are presented. Winners are selected using academic scores (including the tie-breaker question):
  - 1st Place: Amount of Award: \$100 cash and \$500 college scholarship\*
  - 2nd Place: Amount of Award: \$100 cash and \$275 college scholarship\*
  - 3rd Place: Amount of Award: \$100 cash
  - 4th Place: Amount of Award: \$75 cash
  - 5th Place: Amount of Award: \$50 cash

\*Please note that scholarship funds are received when the student enrolls in college, and must be claimed within 5-years of the award date.

### **Housing:**

Students will be housed in one of the residence halls on the NCSU campus. Adult counselors will be provided based on one counselor for every 7-8 students.

### **Eligibility:**

A student who has demonstrated an interest in natural resource conservation is eligible to attend. High School graduates are not eligible to attend. Priority should be given to rising juniors and seniors. Students may participate only one time in this workshop.

### **Costs:**

The cost of the workshop (\$375 registration) will be paid by Stanly Soil & Water Conservation District. In addition, the District will provide the student with enough money to cover the cost of food other than organized meals (\$100 for 11 meals) and will also provide transportation costs up to 25¢ per mile to NC State University. The overall package is worth \$500 at no cost to the students.

For an application and more information, please visit:

<http://www.ncagr.gov/SWC/educational/RCW.html> Please feel free to nominate more than one student and if you have any questions contact me at [rlittle@stanlycountync.gov](mailto:rlittle@stanlycountync.gov).